

Para World Sailing Committee –

Documents Working Party Report 2024

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Para World Sailing Strategic Plan

Review of this key document commenced in May 2023 and continued until its publication in June 2024 with input from the Documents Working Party members. The 2024-2029 edition of the Para World Sailing Strategic Plan incorporated some significant shifts in priority and the structure of the document. It provides a clear reference for the Para World Sailing Committee for the period 2025-2028 and will inform the World Sailing Strategic Plan currently being developed.

Race Management Manual

In cooperation with a Race Officials Committee Working Party during 2021 and 2022, the Para World Sailing Race Management Manual was updated and included as Appendix Y of World Sailing Race Management Manual - Organisation and Race Management of Para Sailing Events. This is an important resource for organising authorities and race officials, and forms part of the rules for World Sailing sanctioned para sailing events.

World Sailing Rules of Para Classification

Initially Bernard Destrube and now Jurgen Schwittai are leading a Working Party of International Classifiers with an ongoing review to ensure compliance with the IPC Classification Code which has been updated.

Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix CBS

A Working Party led by Bernard Destrube has been established to review Appendix CBS and the development of NOR & SI Templates for Blind Fleet & Match Racing.

Technical Delegate Manual

The International Technical Delegates Pathway Working Party was appointed by the Race Officials Committee in January 2023. Members were Jon Napier (Chair), David Staley, David Covo and Ricardo Navarro. A report was completed in April 2023 and passed to the Race Officials Committee for consideration.

Following on from this work, a draft Technical Delegate Manual was developed in 2024 to provide a resource for the Para World Sailing Committee and International Class Association appointed Technical Delegates who do not hold the International Technical Delegate qualification. A recommendation to amend the World Sailing Regulation is also proposed. Hopefully these initiatives can be progressed by 2025.

See attached DWP 1 & 2.

Other Documents

The Working Party has contributed to a number of other documents from time to time being developed by the World Sailing office including the World Sailing Accessibility Standards.

David Staley – September 2024